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CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS FOR 1999

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The Secretariat is circulating herewith a list of meetings of intergovernmental and expert bodies in the economic, social and related fields to be held in 1999.

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MEETINGS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN 1999

Dates	Venue	Title
11-29 January	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child,[1] twentieth session
11-15 January and 8-10 February	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women - Pre-sessional Working Group[1]
11-22 January	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on a draft optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on involvement of children in armed conflicts
14-15 January	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget,[1] resumed thirty-second session
19 January	New York	Special meeting of the Economic and Social Council
19-22 January	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, first regular session
19-29 January	Vienna	Open-ended Intergovernmental Ad Hoc Committee for the purpose of elaborating a draft international convention against transnational organized crime
19 January-5 February	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,[1] twentieth session
20 January	New York	Economic and Social Council, election of the Bureau
20-22 January	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, first regular session
25 January	New York	Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP
25-29 January	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, first regular session

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25-29 January	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget,[1] thirty-third session
25 January-5 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on a draft optional protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
1-5 February	Lucknow, India	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East
1-5 February	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child - Pre-sessional Working Group[1]
1-5 February	Nairobi	UNEP - Governing Council, twentieth session
2-5 February	New York	Economic and Social Council, organizational session
8-12 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Migrants and Human Rights
9-19 February	New York	Commission for Social Development, thirty-seventh session
15-19 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Open-ended inter-sessional ad hoc working group on a permanent forum for indigenous people in the United Nations system
16 February	New York	Seventh Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child
17-19 February	Geneva	UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting[1]
22-24 February	San José	Latin American and Caribbean Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders
22-26 February	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Situations

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22 February-5 March	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development - inter-sessional ad hoc open-ended working groups
1-5 March	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Open-ended Working Group established to elaborate policy guidelines on the effects of structural adjustment programmes on the full enjoyment of human rights
1-5 March	New York	Statistical Commission, thirtieth session
1-12 March	Geneva	UNCTAD - United Nations/IMO Diplomatic Conference on a convention on arrest of ships[1]
1-19 March	New York	Commission on the Status of Women, forty-third session, and the Commission acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"
1-19 March	Geneva	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination,[1] fifty-fourth session
15-19 March	New York	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications[1]
16-25 March	Vienna	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, forty-second session
22-24 March	Geneva	UNCTAD - Expert Meeting on International Investments Agreement[1]
22-31 March	New York	Commission on Population and Development, thirty-second session, and the Commission acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development
22 March-9 April	New York	Human Rights Committee,[1] sixty-fifth session
22 March-30 April	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights, fifty-fifth session

Dates	Venue	Title
March (3 days)	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, fifth session
5-9 April	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, second regular session
5-16 April[2]	New York	Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for Development, first session
6-9 April	Addis Ababa	ECA - Technical Preparatory Committee of the Whole, nineteenth session
12-14 April	Addis Ababa	ECA, Twenty-fourth meeting of the Conference of Ministers, thirty-third session of the Commission
12-16 April (3 days)	Geneva	UNCTAD - Meeting of Experts within the framework of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development[1]
19-30 April	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development, seventh session
22-28 April	Bangkok	ESCAP, fifty-fifth session
26-28 April	Geneva	UNCTAD - Expert Meeting on Examining Trade in the Agricultural Sector[1]
26 April-14 May	Geneva	Committee against Torture, twenty-second session
26 April-14 May	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, twentieth session
27 April-6 May	Vienna	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, eighth session
April (1 week)	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations
April (3 days)	Geneva	Advisory Group of the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People
April (1 day)	New York	Commission on Sustainable Development, organizational session
April/May (1 week)	New York	Committee for Development Policy, thirty-third session

Dates	Venue	Title
April/May (3 days)	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, eleventh session
3-14 May	Geneva	Commission on Sustainable Development - Ad Hoc Open-ended Intergovernmental Forum on Forests, third session
4-6 May	Geneva	ECE, fifty-fourth session
5-14 May	Nairobi	Commission on Human Settlements,[1] seventeenth session
6-7 May	New York	Economic and Social Council, resumed organizational session
10-14 May	New York	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-seventh session
10-21 May	Vienna	International Narcotics Control Board, sixty-sixth session
11-14 May	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, second regular session
17-18 May	Nairobi	Commission on Human Settlements, organizational session of the Commission acting as the preparatory committee for the General Assembly special session on the Habitat Agenda[1]
17-20 May	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, annual session
17-21 May	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group
17-21 May	Geneva	Commission on Science and Technology for Development, fourth session
17-21 May	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, twenty-fourth session
17-28 May	New York	Preparatory Committee for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and further initiatives,[1] first substantive session

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17-28 May	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, eighteenth session
17 May-4 June	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child, twenty-first session
25-31 May	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Minorities
31 May-11 June	Bonn	UNFCCC - meetings of subsidiary bodies of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
May (3 days)	Beirut	ESCWA - Technical Committee
May (2 days)	Beirut	ESCWA - twentieth session
May (1 day)	New York	Committee for Programme and Coordination, organizational session
1-4 June	Geneva	Meeting of persons chairing human rights treaty bodies
1-4 June	New York	High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries,[1] eleventh session
1-18 June[2]	New York	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, 1999 session
2-4 June	Geneva	UNCTAD - Meeting of Experts within the framework of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development[1]
7-11 June	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, annual session
7-11 June	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child - Pre-Working Group[1]
7-25 June	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,[1] twenty-first session

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14-18 June	Geneva	UNCTAD - Meeting of governmental experts from landlocked and transit developing countries and representatives of donor countries, and financial and development institutions[1]
14-25 June	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, annual session
21-23 June	Geneva	UNCTAD - Expert Meeting on Air Transport Services[1]
23 June- 2 July	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery
28-30 June	Geneva	UNCTAD - Expert Meeting on Portfolio Investment Flows and Foreign Direct Investment[1]
28 June- 2 July	New York	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, Pre-sessional Working Group[1]
30 June- 2 July	New York	General Assembly, special session for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development
June/July (4 weeks)	New York	Committee for Programme and Coordination, thirty-ninth session
5-9 July	Geneva	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications[1]
7-9 July	Geneva	UNCTAD - Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy[1]
7-9 July	Geneva	UNCTAD - Expert Meeting on the Impact of Changing Supply and Demand Market Structures on Commodity Prices and Exports[1]
5-16 July	Geneva	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, sixteenth session

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5-30 July	Geneva	Economic and Social Council, substantive session
12-30 July	Geneva	Human Rights Committee,[1] sixty-sixth session
14-16 July	Geneva	UNCTAD - Meeting of Experts within the framework of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development
19-23 July	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development,[1] fourth session
19-30 July	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Communications
26-30 July	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities - Working Group on Indigenous Populations
2-27 August	Geneva	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination,[1] fifty-fifth session
2-27 August	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, fifty-first session
30 August-3 September	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-eighth session
6-8 September	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget,[1] thirty-fourth session, first part
7-10 September	New York	UNICEF - Executive Board, second regular session
7 September-December	New York	General Assembly, fifty-fourth session
13-17 September	New York	Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA, third regular session

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13-17 September	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, twenty-fifth session
20-24 September	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, fourth session
20 September-8 October	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child,[1] twenty-second session
September (2 days)	New York	General Assembly, special session for an assessment and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
September	Geneva	Scientific and Technical Committee on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction
Third quarter (1 week)	Santiago	Commission on Narcotic Drugs - Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and the Caribbean Region
4-8 October	Geneva	UNCTAD - Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues,[1] fourth session
4-8 October	Geneva	UNHCR - Executive Committee, fiftieth session
11-15 October	Geneva	Human Rights Committee - Working Group on Communications[1]
11-15 October	Geneva	Committee on the Rights of the Child - Pre-sessional Working Group[1]
18-29 October	Geneva	UNCTAD - Trade and Development Board,[1] forty-sixth session
18 October-5 November	Geneva	Human Rights Committee,[1] sixty-seventh session
19-22 October	Rome	Executive Board of the World Food Programme, third regular session
25 October-5 November	Bonn	UNFCCC - Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, fifth session, and meetings of subsidiary bodies

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1-18 November	Vienna	International Narcotics Control Board, sixty-seventh session
8-19 November	Geneva	Committee against Torture,[1] twenty-third session
8-26 November	To be determined	UNCTAD - Regional preparatory meetings for the tenth session of UNCTAD[1]
15-26 November	Recife, Brazil	Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention on Desertification, third session
15 November-3 December	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, twenty-first session
24 November	Geneva	Seventh meeting of States Parties to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
24 November-3 December	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, twenty-sixth session
24 November-3 December	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, fifty-ninth session
November (1 week)	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Open-ended Working Group on the right to development
November (3 days)	Geneva	Board of Trustees of the Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights, twelfth session
November (1 day)	New York	United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities
2-3 December	Vienna	Commission on Narcotic Drugs, resumed forty-second session
6-10 December	Geneva	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - Pre-sessional Working Group
6-17 December	Geneva	Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods - Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, seventeenth session

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13-14 December	Geneva	UNCTAD - Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget,[1] thirty-fourth session, second part
To be determined (2 weeks)	New York	United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, twentieth session
To be determined (1 week)	Geneva	Commission on Human Rights - Working Group on Migrants and Human Rights
To be determined (1 week)	Vienna	European Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders
To be determined (2 days)	Santiago	ECLAC - Committee of the Whole, twenty-fifth session
To be determined (1 week)	Santo Domingo	INSTRAW - Board of Trustees,[1] nineteenth session
To be determined	New York	Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
To be determined	New York	Special High-level Meeting between the Economic and Social Council and the Bretton Woods institutions

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[1] Subsidiary body of the General Assembly.

[2] Dates to be confirmed by the Economic and Social Council.